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Dear College Preparation Partnership Program Coordinator:

**THE COLLEGE PREPARATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (CPPP):
2002 GRANT CONTINUATION FUNDS**

The purpose of this letter is to notify you of the availability of continuation grant funds for the College Preparation Partnership Program (CPPP). The state fiscal year 2002-2003 Governor's budget proposes to reduce the CPPP from \$10 million to \$5 million, and has also eliminated administrative funds. In light of these developments, we are offering continuation funds to all existing and continuing CPPP grantees for the current year and are **not** soliciting applications from new grantees. The continuation grant is limited to existing participating high schools.

The CPPP provides funds to operate preparation courses for college admissions examinations. The Senate Bill (SB) 1697 (Hayden, Chapter 795 of the Statutes of 1998), which is in effect through January 1, 2005, established the CPPP for qualifying high schools whose graduates have low college attendance rates, high numbers of economically disadvantaged students, and demonstrated school-based efforts to improve college preparatory curriculum. The students who participate in the CPPP are expected to complete coursework required for admission to the California State University or the University of California. These same students are expected to have a grade point average or other academic achievements that indicate that they will have the academic skills necessary to complete postsecondary coursework.

Grants will be awarded in the amount of two hundred (\$200) dollars per student who fully completes the examination preparation course. Full completion of the examination preparation course means that the student has taken a pre- and post-practice test and an actual college admissions examination. In order to plan for the expected reduced funding in 2002-2003, we will be limiting grant awards to the estimated number of students who will actually complete the entire test preparation course, and multiply that number by \$200. This method of calculation replaces the former method of \$75 per 10th grade student enrollment to allow program managers the ability to better estimate student completion rates and to approximate actual expenditure levels.

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All interested existing grantees must indicate their interest in receiving CPPP grant continuation funds at this time. For your convenience, the attached documentation outlines form submission requirements and grant conditions. Please complete and send the attached application forms to:

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Intersegmental Relations Office
830 S Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

A summary of activities and completion dates follows:

Activities	Completion Date
Release of Continuation Funding Letter	March 11, 2002
Deadline for RECEIPT of Forms	April 8, 2002
Award Notification	May 13, 2002
Grant start date	June 15, 2002
Grant end date	May 31, 2003
Final Expenditure/Evaluation Report due	September 30, 2003

Thank you for supporting California's high school students in attaining exemplary academic standards and successfully completing college entrance examinations. Your action will surely aid in increasing the number of students who are successful in applying for and attending college.

If you have further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Joy Salvetti Wolfe, Education Programs Consultant at (916) 323-5635 or <jsalvett@cde.ca.gov>, or Karen Baquera at (916) 323-5144 or <kbaquera@cde.ca.gov>.

Sincerely,

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Attachment